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In re Application of: Edward A. Hubbard

Serial No.: 09/538,543

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Group Art Unit: 2141

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Before the Examiner: Kenneth R. Coulter

Title: DISTRIBUTED PARALLEL PROCESSING SYSTEM
HAVING CAPABILITY-BASED INCENTIVES AND
ASSOCIATED METHODAMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
 Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of December 23, 2003 (Paper No. 12), having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on March 23, 2004 please reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the following remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 and acknowledgment postcard for the above-identified Application.

No additional fee is required.
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CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	Technology Center 2100 ADDITIONAL FEE
Total Claims:	21	-	72	0	x \$9 =	\$ -0-
Independent Claims:	3	-	4	0	x \$43 =	\$ -0-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					=	\$ -0-

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The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-2426 (40988-P001US).

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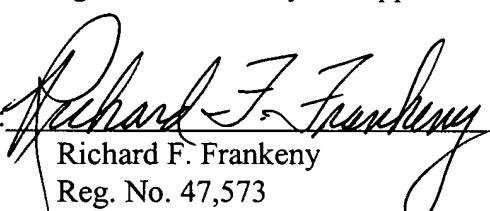
Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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